

Dixon Stores Are Open Every Night This Week

# DIXON EVENING TELEGRAPH

THE WEATHER  
Snow, sleet or rain  
tonight and Friday;  
not so cold tonight.

SUICIDE LETTER  
Coster-Musica absolved  
brother of any  
wrong doing.

EIGHTY-SEVENTH YEAR, Number 300 Telephones 4 and 5

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## U. S. MAKES NO APOLOGIES FOR ICKES' TALK

### COSTER BLAMED WALL STREET IN SUICIDE LETTER

#### Brothers Exonerated by Head of Giant Drug Company

#### CONCERN FOR WIFE

New York, Dec. 22.—(AP)—F. Donald Coster, born Philip Musica, said in a suicide note made public today that "bankers, lawyers, auditors, appraisers and incompetent high-salaried executives have bled McKesson & Robbins black."

The amazing swindler who shot himself to death in his Connecticut home when his activities were discovered said the company which he headed "should have been in receivership at the time of the crash one year after its reorganization."

"I have tried to hold it up to stave off the inevitable," he wrote. "No man has ever worked harder or received less pay to make something work out for the interest of all."

"There has always been friction within the board of directors because the wholesale business is a rotten business at best—the wholesale part wrote off million of bad debts and inventories. There was nothing said about that, just that the 1929 crash was responsible."

**Brothers Exonerated**

The note exonerated his brothers in masquerade and asserted he was "the victim of Wall street plunder and blackmail in a struggle for honest existence."

The note was made public by Samuel Reich, Coster-Musica's attorney.

The note asked that "the world judge if bankers, lawyers, auditors and appraisers that got millions out of the company knew nothing."

Coster-Musica denied that narcotics or alcohol was involved in his deals and asserted "I have not tried to ruin the company or the stockholders."

"If I did," Coster-Musica wrote, "I could have sold my holdings in 1928 for over \$3,000,000. Instead, I am a ruined man through the treachery of legal intrigue."

**Concerned for Wife**

Regarding his concealment of his masquerade from his wife, Coster-Musica said he had "too much pride and regard for a lonely, devoted and sick wife to confide in her inner heart."

He said any gifts or presents he made to his wife or members of his family was "not company money," and that his wife "had no knowledge of any nature or description of my situation or operations."

"My brothers-in-law both did as I asked them because they thought

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Found Guilty

### DEFENSE ISSUE THREATENS PAN- AMERICAN MEET

#### Defiant Argentine Dec- laration Upsets All Plans of Leaders

#### URGE CONCILIATION

Lima, Peru, Dec. 22.—(AP)—The issue of co-operative defense for the Americas hung in the balance today between a defiant Argentine delegation and a second declaration to which the United States and most of the other countries agreed.

Conference leaders worked desperately to reconcile the differences before adjournment Monday or Tuesday.

The new impasse developed when the Argentine delegation withdrew its official endorsement of the majority declaration and presented its own resolution upon instructions from its government.

The Argentines held the majority draft to be in effect a military alliance, which the delegation opposed from the start of the conference.

Despite the startling step by Argentina in publishing her project without submitting it officially to the conference, the Brazilian delegation chief, Afranio Mello Franco, indicated he still hoped for a settlement.

#### Urge Conciliation

These hopes apparently were based on diplomatic urging in Buenos Aires by the Brazilian and possibly other governments that Argentina adopt more conciliatory attitude.

There were conferences here until early morning. United States Secretary Hull, Dr. Carlos Concha of Peru, conference chairman, and Mello Franco

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### JOLIET FIREMEN HURT THIS MORN

Joliet, Ill., Dec. 22.—(AP)—Two firemen were injured and five persons were rescued during a fire today that virtually destroyed a three-story building in Cass street.

Louis Bertani, 30, a truckman, slipped from the roof of the building and fell 30 feet to the ground, fracturing both legs and suffering internal injuries. At St. Joseph's hospital his condition was reported serious but he was expected to recover.

Fire Capt. James O'Neill also went to the hospital, where several stitches were taken in his scalp to close a wound made by flying glass.

The blaze was discovered by Burke Mead, Chicago newspaperman, and three companions, who saw smoke billowing from the structure. One of the group turned in an alarm, while Mead and his companions entered the building to rescue tenants.

Meade assisted Mrs. J. R. Lamb, 29, owner of the place, to the Brady Transfer Co., came to grief at 6 o'clock this morning at the intersection of routes 64 and 26, north of Polo, when the driver, Walter Powers, 40, of Ft. Dodge, failed to see the turn.

The big vehicle was turned completely over on its top, against the guard rail at the side of the road, several posts of which were broken off. About a third of the cargo of 6000 pounds of butter and 280 cases of eggs was lost in a creek at the scene. Powers and his associate driver, Lawrence Cox, 22, also of Ft. Dodge, escaped injury.

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Friends of expedition members yesterday said one man, Louis Bellia, first engineer, was the only

### Final Call For Goodfellows As Great Day Nears

The Goodfellows drive for funds is almost over, with a few more contributions expected between now and Saturday evening and with the total this morning being \$1043.79. The boxes and baskets are being made ready for distribution, the basement of the Elks club, where they are being prepared, being a hive of activity as the volunteer workers are seeing that the needs of each individual on the list are being fulfilled.

Townsend club No. 1, in addition to making a cash contribution of \$6 expended \$5.55 for canned goods and groceries and prepared three baskets, while the North Side pack No. 1 provided canned goods for some basket. The members of the pack are Jack McLean, Don McLean and Wayne Frazer.

The Ladies of the Grand Army today engaged with the Goodfellows to care for a family on Christmas day, and also announced plans to send out five baskets of fruit.

Goodfellows enrolled up to this morning are:

Contributions to the Goodfellow campaign up to this morning were:

In memory of Mrs.

Fannie Bacharach ..... \$10.00

Judge Grover W. Gehant ..... 5.00

Frank H. Kreim ..... 5.00

Judge Harry Edwards ..... 10.00

Atty. Fremont M. Kaufman ..... 5.00

Evening Telegraph ..... 25.00

Anna M. Moore ..... 5.00

Mr. & Mrs. Rosenthal ..... 5.00

Tim Sullivan ..... 5.00

Atty. Robert L. Warner ..... 5.00

Mr. & Mrs. Nathan Kalserman ..... 10.00

Mr. & Mrs. S. N. Watson ..... 5.00

C. B. Dodge Co. ..... 5.00

Wm. A. Zoeller ..... 2.00

Friend ..... 5.00

Sidney Bacharach ..... 10.00

Nancy Jo Countryman ..... 1.00

Raymond B. Countryman ..... 1.00

Friend ..... 1.00

J. C. Winters ..... 1.00

Friend ..... 2.00

Mrs. Eleanor J. Little ..... 10.00

Chase Brothers ..... 2.00

David H. Stinson ..... 3.00

Wm. & Mrs. Stinson ..... 25.00

George E. Baynton ..... 5.00

Charles E. Miller ..... 1.00

C. B. Fowler ..... 5.00

Miss Carrie Rosenthal ..... 5.00

Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Holm ..... 5.00

Mr. & Mrs. George Papadakis ..... 5.00

Dixon Nurses Alumni ..... 5.00

Dixon Musicians Protective Union Local No. 525 ..... 10.00

Friend ..... 2.00

Mrs. J. G. Lyons ..... 5.00

Ideal Club ..... 3.00

Mr. & Mrs. Adolf Eichler ..... 5.00

A. L. Geisenheimer & Co. ..... 10.00

Practical Club ..... 5.00

Newman Brothers ..... 5.00

Waukowki Club ..... 5.00

Sinow & Wienman ..... 5.00

Will Phillips ..... 10.00

High School Teachers ..... 10.00

Friend ..... 1.00

H. ..... 5.00

Oscar Johnson Motor Co. ..... 5.00

Dixon Chapter Order of DeMolay ..... 5.00

Modern Woodmen of America ..... 1.00

E. A. Tayman ..... 1.00

Friend ..... 25.00

Mrs. D. C. Leake ..... 5.00

Gladys Herrick ..... 1.00

L. G. Adams ..... 10.00

Dr. C. Bain ..... 5.00

Miss Caroline Eells ..... 5.00

Miss Bess Pauline Eells ..... 5.00

Friend ..... 5.00

Thursday Reading Circle ..... 25

Dixon Post Office Employees ..... 3.00

J. D. Van Bibber ..... 15.50

Laura and Gracia Rogers ..... 10.00

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Fosselman ..... 2.00

Harry Wilson ..... 1.00

Reynolds Employees Union ..... 5.00

Specialty Machinery Corp. ..... 10.00

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nice ..... 2.00

## CONTINUATION OF TVA PROBE TO BE ASKED CONGRESS

### Additional Data on Controversial Setup Held Essential

Washington, Dec. 22—(AP)—A Republican charge of a one-sided investigation contributed today to possibility of further congressional debate on the unsettled and many-sided controversy over the Tennessee Valley Authority.

Three minority members of the Senate-House committee which concluded its lengthy inquiry yesterday asked more funds for a "complete" study.

Democratic members agreed—but for different reasons—that Congress should provide more time and money to answer the questions it posed. The present committee expires when the new Congress meets January 3.

Advocates and critics of TVA fought long and vigorously before the present investigation was authorized and \$50,000 provided to conduct it.

Those who attended the hearings say that seven members of the present committee appeared friendly to TVA and its objectives, while the remaining three frankly were critical.

#### Need Additional Data

The majority agreed to an extension because they wanted critics to have complete hearings, because they hoped the Supreme Court soon will hand down a decision in a case involving the constitutionality of TVA.

Lengthy testimony has been heard on the three main issues fixed by Congress:

1. The bitter dispute among the three TVA directors which led to ouster by President Roosevelt of Chairman Arthur E. Morgan.

2. The fairness of TVA electric rates as "a legitimate, honest 'yardstick' of equitable rates of private industry."

3. Relations between TVA and private utilities.

## West Brooklyn

By Henry Gehant  
BOWLING NEWS

Standings of teams at the end of the seventh week:

Royal Blue	16	5
Blue Ribbon	13	8
Painters	13	8
Bears	12	9
Schlitz	12	9
Budweisers	10	11
Bankers	10	11
Barbers	10	11
Cubs	10	11
John Deere	8	13
V. Tigers	6	15
Standard Oil	6	15
Schedule for the week of Dec. 26 to Dec. 26, 7:00. Painters vs. V. Tigers: 9:00. Bears vs. Schlitz: Dec. 27, 7:00. Blue Ribbons vs. John Deere: Dec. 28, 7:00. Bankers vs. Royal Blue: Dec. 29, 7:00. Barbers vs. Standard Oil. Dec. 30, 7:00. Budweisers vs. Cubs.		

#### CHRISTMAS SERVICES

On Christmas day Masses as announced by the pastor, Rev. R. A. Horner will be as follows:

High Mass, sermon and Benediction at 6 o'clock with the senior choir singing the Mass. There will be a low Mass at 8 o'clock following immediately by another low Mass at 8:30. Confessions will be heard on Friday evening, Saturday afternoon and evening.

#### SCHOOL VACATION

The West Brooklyn public school closed on Wednesday afternoon for the Christmas vacation and will open on Jan. 3. The students of the high school were entertained with a Christmas program and tree, also an exchange of gifts. Miss Lolita Koehler and her pupils of the lower room also had a program and tree. The parochial school closed on Tuesday afternoon with a program and tree at the school hall. Pupils of the public school were their guests at this party. Refreshments consisting of cake and ice cream were served at the end of the program.

#### ANNUAL MEETING

The thirty-first annual meeting of the stockholders of the West Brooklyn Farmers Co-Operative Co., was held at the opera house on Monday, Dec. 19. At this meeting three directors were elected, Henry Ladenberger, Alex Gehant and Philip Fassig for the term of three years. A 4 per cent dividend was paid stockholders.

#### BIRTHDAY PARTY

Members of the Jolly Eight card club gathered at the G. L. Nelles home on Thursday evening. The event was the birthday anniversary of Mrs. Nelles. The evening was spent in playing 500, there being guests for four tables. When score cards were tallied prizes were awarded to Mrs. Dick Hackman, Miss Sylvia

Miss Helen Mackin of this place and Rena Halsey of Lee Center returned to their homes the latter part of the week after an extended visit with relatives in Rockford and Chicago.

Miss Mabel Devine of Chesterton, Ind., visited with her father, F. J. Gehant, Sr., for a few days.

Miss Josie Ziebarth of Aurora spent a few days at the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Jeanblanc and also attended the funeral services of her brother-in-law, Frank Montavon.

Chris Oester of Aurora visited with relatives here, Friday.

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Cloping and Mrs. Frances Gallieth, William Augenbaugh of Compton won high for the men, Wilbur Bauer second and George Bresson low. A delicious scramble lunch was served. Mrs. Nelles was presented with a large round mirror by the guests.

#### BANNS READ

The first banns announcing the approaching marriage of Miss Eleanor Jones and Ermin Dingess were read on Sunday morning at St. Mary's Catholic church by the pastor, Rev. R. A. Horner. The wedding will take place early in the new year.

#### CARD CLUB

Ten members of the Domestic Science card club met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. A. L. Derr and Mr. Charles Elliott at their home in Amboy. The afternoon was spent in playing 500 at three tables. Mrs. J. H. Michel held high score. Mrs. Evelyn Elliott second and Mrs. Mary Clopine, all cut. Delicious refreshments were served.

#### LEAVE ON TRIP

B. J. Ackland and Alvin Kehm of West Brooklyn, Arthur Rhoads of Compton and Steven Schnorr of Steward left on Thursday morning for a six weeks trip which will include Mexico and California.

#### RAVINE FIRE

The West Brooklyn fire company responded to a call on Friday morning about 4:30 A. M. from the Charles Jeanblanc estate farm where a prairie fire was raging. The fire evidently started in a straw stack located in the center of the 200 acre plot. About fifty acres of pasture land was burned. The men were unable to extinguish the fire and confined their efforts in protecting surrounding buildings.

#### AT HEINZARTH HOME

The Ashton fire company was called to the Allen Heinzarth farm home north of West Brooklyn on Friday afternoon when the house was found to be on fire. The cause of the blaze is not known although it is believed kerosene fumes ignited, causing the fire. The contents of one room were burned.

#### WEDDING ON SATURDAY

On Saturday morning Miss Helen Bresson of Compton and Edward Schummel of Granville were married at St. Mary's Catholic church with Rev. R. A. Horner officiating. A complete account of this wedding will be found elsewhere in this paper.

#### WHO AND WHERE

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lomatzsch of Hillside visited with friends here for a short time on Monday afternoon, enroute to Sublette where they were guests at the Helbig home.

Mr. Emerson and Mr. Mulcheny, officials of the C. B. & Q. railroad were in town on Wednesday conferring with members of the village board in regard to replacing the crossing near the Farmers' elevator. The crossing will be the full width of the road.

Mrs. Robert Vickrey spent Wednesday evening in Mendota where she attended a Christmas program and supper given by her Sunday school class.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gehant were in Mendota on Friday afternoon where Mrs. Gehant is receiving treatment for a badly injured thumb.

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#### Daladier Wins Chamber Battle by Seven Votes

Paris, Dec. 22—(AP)—Premier Daladier's plan to reorganize French finances by decree received approval for the second time today by the slim majority of seven votes in the chamber of deputies.

The chamber ratified by a vote of 291 to 284 the inclusion in the 1939 appropriation bill of a section carrying implied approval of all decree laws issued under the new three-year economic plan.

Daladier, who staked the life of his government on the vote, made little attempt to hide his opinion that the cabinet barely had squeezed out of a tight place.

He declared, however, he was optimistic over the formation of a "fateful majority" upon which he could depend.

As he left the chamber he told the deputies flatly that "if I had been overthrown I would have demanded immediate dissolution of parliament.

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English teacher at the high school left for her home in Elgin on Wednesday evening, where she will spend the holiday vacation.

Lawrence Joerger of Mendota visited at the George Jones home on Friday.

Henry W. Gehant Jr., of Aurora spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of his parents.

Ray Johnson was ill at his home for a few days the latter part of the week. Bert Austin took charge of his milk route.

The Bears, a bowling team from Sublette, defeated the local Blue Ribbons in a match at the C. O. F. alleys on Sunday afternoon.

The West Brooklyn high school basketball team met defeat at the hands of the Malta high school team on Tuesday evening. The score was 30 to 15. The game was played at Malta at 8 o'clock.

The Nelson school will close Friday afternoon and will reconvene Jan. 3. The following program will be given Friday evening at the school beginning at 8 o'clock:

Songs—"Don't wait until the night before Christmas," and "I love to whistle," by the upper grades.

Santa's Helpers — Primary grade.

Songs—"Little Jack Horner," "Little Miss Muffett," and "This little pig," First grade.

Exercise—Santa Claus by three primary boys.

Songs, "Jolly Old Santa Claus," "Rubber Ball," and "Ach, Ya."

Primary room.

Song—"When they played the polka," ten girls.

Play—"Snowflake."

Teachers — Mrs. Bessie Gale, Miss Lucille Moats. Musical director, Mrs. Rae Kreider.

Another political problem receiving much attention from Democratic legislators was the proposed resolution by Senator Holt (D.-W. Va.) to put the Senate on record against a third term for President Roosevelt.

Officials said it was the new vaccine originated by Dr. Lloyd Felton of John Hopkins University and prepared by the army medical school. The appropriation, covering the period from October through next March was announced in the war department's annual report to Director Robert Fechner on its work with the CCC.

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## NEW YEAR'S LOVE

by Angela Lorden

**The Characters**  
Noel Marchand, a beautiful young actress.

Allan Collings, a young man Noel secretly likes.

David Norris, Noel's wealthy suitor.

Yesterday: The play falls through temporarily. Noel plans to visit Allan and his mother in spite of David.

## Chapter Seven

"I ought to feel gay about the holiday, but I don't!" David's voice was accusing.

It was two days before Christmas. Noel and he had just finished an evening in the living-room of David's Fifty-seventh Street apartment and they were standing by the window, looking out over the cold East River.

Noel was taking the afternoon train to Clarendon. A few hours later, David would board the boat for a short Christmas cruise to Bermuda. She knew he was blaming her somehow because she was going alone.

"The trip will be good for you," Noel offered timidly.

For answer, he pulled her close to him. "Oh, Noel! You're being so cruel!"

She suffered his embrace for a moment. But when he kissed her as though he couldn't let her go, she drew back.

"David, isn't it time for me to be leaving?" Noel asked desperately.

Vitality seemed gone from his voice as he answered, "I guess

But he wasn't finished. Yet. From his pocket, David drew out a small box and opened it. Noel couldn't resist a gasp of admiration for the beautiful square emerald set in a thin platinum band.

David reached for her left hand.

"Will you wear it here?" His own finely formed hand, holding her finger.

Noel thought she would cry. I don't want to hurt him, she thought. But she managed a quavering protest.

"It wouldn't be fair; when I feel as I do."

"I see—" David dropped her hand. Noel saw his lips tremble. After a trying interval of silence he reached for her right hand.

"Then I want you to have it, anyway. I got it for you," Noel protested but he slipped on the ring. "The stone is like you. Noel—beautiful in a cool mysterious way. But there's fire deep in it—for some people."

Noel was crying. "You're such a wonderful friend, David. I wish I could feel as you want me to."

David winced at that but he patted her shoulder and kissed her lightly on the forehead.

"Don't cry, angel child," soothingly he told her. "We can't help our emotions."

They left soon after, stopped at Noel's hotel for her luggage. At the station when David saw her into the train, he admonished her:

"Be a good girl, and have a nice Christmas. I'll telephone you when I get back." Carelessly he pulled the collar under her chin. "I'll think of you every moment, Noel."

Noel kissed him quickly and he went out of the car. A mist came between her and the disappearing figure. The train started slowly.

Towns, fields of white, ice-laden bare limbs of trees made kaleidoscopic scenery out the window as Noel rode the miles toward Clarendon. She had a feeling she was somehow to blame, that she'd spoiled David's Christmas for him. Through the few hours of the monotonous journey, she thought of David, his kindness to her. As they neared Clarendon, she reviewed the mood of introspection and when they reached the station, saw Allan Collings' smiling face on the platform.

**A Snowfall**

Noel waded from the steps. She felt his hand grasp hers warmly.

"Hello, there." His voice was as friendly. "Your fellow conspirator's back at the house, impatiently waiting your coming." Noel looked up into his face, answered his welcome. While he took her luggage and led her toward a parked car at the back of the station, she saw before her a scene that looked like the painting of an old-fashioned Christmas.

" Didn't I promise you a fresh snowfall?" he asked jovially. "It's late in the night." He was clapping a robe around her feet.

Noel struggled into the seat beside him, and they were off through the wide road, bordered with snow-covered trees.

"Unseen guests will be here tomorrow," Allan told her as they sped round a bend.

"Aren't they your guests, too?" she asked.

"Well, they're not what I'd ask for," Allan's voice was coolish. But he added encouragingly. "I'll play the host to a fare-thee-well. Don't worry about that, Noel."

"I'm not worrying about anything you do," she replied.

Where the road narrowed, they turned into a cleared-off drive.

## FAMOUS CANCER AUTHORITY HAS NEW SUGGESTION

## Bureau of Human Statistics Urged by Dr. Maud Slye

Chicago, Dec. 22—(AP)—Dr. Maud Slye has recommended establishment of a 'bureau of human statistics' as the next important step in the nation's fight against cancer.

Noel had known it would be like that—the glimpse of a huge living-room, with gleaming old mahogany pieces. And the lovely maple bedroom to which Mrs. Marchand showed her.

While Noel took off her wraps in the wavy of her hair, she and Mrs. Marchand talked of the festivities to come. The older woman was somewhat worried. "I hope it will turn out all right," she suggested.

"You'll make it perfect. How could it be anything else?" Noel reassured her.

Later, with Allan, they had a glass of sherry in the living-room, and Noel's spirit glowed in the gaiety of the atmosphere.

"I could purr," she exclaimed and Mrs. Marchand smiled at her affectionately.

Noel heard the details. The guests would arrive in the afternoon. They'd have an informal Christmas Eve supper and afterwards they'd all trim the tall fir tree they would decorate.

"I hope all this won't bore you," Allan glanced at her keenly. His eyes were questioning but Noel told him quickly: "How can you think that? You don't know how happy I am to be here." Her voice was mellow. "I've not had many happy Christmases," hesitating over the words. "And I've always wished for one like this."

They became gay after that, laughing over little things. Once when Noel nearly tripped over a half-hidden trunk, Allan caught her and his arms stayed on her shoulder while he said: "You're a wonderful person, Noel. My mother knew it at once, which shows she's a smart lady."

## Branches of Holly

As they walked slowly back to the house, their arms laden with green branches, Noel at peace with the world, remarked suddenly:

"I think I'd like to stay in some place like this forever."

Allan's laugh rang out. "You'd be bored to death, after a while," he suggested. "You'd miss all the things you have."

At the dinner table while they lingered over the deliciously cooked food which a buxom, rosy-cheeked Annie served them, Noel thought: This is real living. It was a house made for that, and the people who lived there. She thought about that, too, while they sat in the living-room sipping their coffee.

Noel felt Allan's eyes upon her. Mrs. Marchand must have noticed, too. Because she said, "Noel, that's a lovely gown. It's so attractive on you."

Dr. Slye declared such records, combined with autopsies by which diagnosis would be checked and mistakes corrected, would "settle the causes of cancer; we wouldn't be guessing at them any more."

## RECKLESS DRIVING

Dallas, Tex. —(AP)—Dallas high school students are taking a hand in the traffic situation.

They have organized the "25-50 club", 25 miles in the city, 50 miles per hour in the country.

The emblem is a club with 26 spikes, one for each of the traffic fatalities for the year.

## Timely Advice

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 22—(AP)—Mom, pop, Uncle Bill and Aunt Sophie were urged today to use discretion in their choice of Christmas gifts for little Willie and diminutive Minnie.

The plea came from Dr. A. C. Baxter, acting state health director, who pointed out that many accidents to children result from their handling of dangerous toys.

Dr. Baxter urged that toy weapons be kept from the hands of youngsters who may not appreciate their injurious potentialities. Presents which might cause trouble include, he said, candies with concealed prizes which may lodge in the throat, inflammable or explosive toys and objects small enough to be swallowed by an infant.

And just a word for the adults:

"Don't step on that choo-choo car which junior might have left on the front stairs."

They were both so kind, Noel could not believe that only a few weeks ago Allan and his mother were not her friends. "I feel as though we've known each other for years," Mrs. Marchand remarked more than once.

When Allan went into the car to the train to meet the five guests Noel and Mrs. Marchand set nervously in the living-room. What would they be like these strangers, on their way to the Christ-

**Tomorrow: A strange crew.**

## Christmas Season is Unusually Dangerous

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 22—(AP)—State highway division figures indicated today that the Christmas season is one of the most dangerous of the year for motorists and pedestrians.

Division engineers said in a safety communication that 52 persons were killed in Illinois during the two days before Christmas and on Christmas day last year. The corresponding three-day period toll for 1936 was 62 persons.

## SCHOOL'S HEALTH COSTLY

London—(AP)—Health services in London county council schools are estimated to cost \$729,810 during 1939.

month was set when 314 were killed and 2,396 injured. The holiday rush, careless pedestrians and drunken drivers were the most frequent fatal accident causes, the communications said.

## OFFERS FREE BIRD FOOD

Fort Morgan, Colo.—(AP)—The Jacks Bean Co. of Fort Morgan has a standing offer to provide bird seed free to any Fort Morgan resident who will feed it to birds in winter when natural food is not available.

## RAYON SATIN PANTIES

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## Santa Advised What To Do When He Visits Capital

Washington, Dec. 22—(AP)—Dear Santa Claus: There'll be a new baby at the White House this Christmas. He is five-months-old Franklin D. Roosevelt, third. His stocking will be the tiniest one in the long line along the mantel in President Roosevelt's room.

Mrs. Roosevelt will be there this year, so don't take her presents to Boston or Seattle where she has been the past two years

with children who couldn't come home.

There will be two other grandchildren besides the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr. It probably would be best to concentrate on Sara, James Roosevelt's elder daughter. She is six years old and more interested in Christmas than her two-year-old sister, Kate. The other child's stocking will belong to six-year-old Diana Hopkins. Her mother died last year, and she will be at the White House with her father, Harry Hopkins, WPA administrator.

Of course, you know that all the grown-up Roosevelts hang up their stockings, too. There will be the President and Mrs. Roosevelt.

Don't worry about bringing any soap. Mrs. Roosevelt always puts soap and new toothbrushes in the stockings — even the president's.

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Increase Dixon's Population 1,000 each year.  
Connecting Dixon with the Inland Waterway System  
Pass a Zoning Law.  
Enlarge Dixon's City Limits.  
Abolish the Smoke Nuisance.  
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Americanism is an Unfailing Love of Country;  
Loyalty to its institutions and ideals; Eagerness  
to defend it against all enemies; Undivided Allegiance  
to the Flag; and a desire to secure the blessings of  
liberty to ourselves and posterity.

## ALFRED M. LANDON, A DEMOCRATIC SYMBOL

The composition of the United States delegation at the Lima conference bears eloquent testimony to the difference between democracy and dictatorship—and the lesson cannot be missed by delegates from the other New World nations.

For if the head of the American delegation is Cordell Hull, the Number Two man is Alfred M. Landon of Kansas. Mr. Landon's presence on the delegation, and the active part he has taken in furthering the United States program, are immensely significant.

If one of the dictators were sending a full-dress delegation to an important international conference, it is a certainty that the leader of the opposition (if any) would not have a place in it.

Even the most active imagination cannot, for instance, picture Soviet Russia sending out a delegation which included Leon Trotsky, or Germany selecting a mission graced by the presence of—let us say—Herr Schuschnigg of Austria. Trotsky is an exile and Schuschnigg is a prisoner, and both are rather lucky to be alive at all.

So that the fundamental difference between a dictatorship and a democracy is effectively underlined by Landon's presence at Lima. And it means a great deal more than mere difference between the personal magnamity of an American President and a European dictator.

It means that inefficient and wasteful democracy is somehow smart enough to use the brains and energy of people who happen to disagree with the party in power, while dictatorship is not. A dictatorship can use only those people who are 100 per cent in agreement with the boss. They may be gifted people—brilliant, devoted, deeply patriotic, immensely industrious—but if they don't see things precisely as the head man sees them, or if they have ever opposed him on any important policy, then they are completely useless.

And when you stop to think about it, this epitomizes the gravest of all the many objections to the totalitarian state.

The progress that human society has made to date has been a progress of co-operation. Men have differed violently down through the generations, but somehow they have managed to pool their efforts and harmonize their varying contributions so as to climb slowly but surely up the ladder of civilization. It is the only possible way in which that difficult ascent ever can be made.

The idea of dictatorship is a denial of that fundamental element in progress. It would cut mankind off from the principal source of its strength. In order to mass force effectively for a monetary objective, it sacrifices the only channel through which the race's vast fund of intelligence, brawn and good will can be utilized efficiently.

The presence at Lima of Mr. Landon symbolizes one of the great reasons why the free, democratic way of life is the hope of the world.

## THE FEMININE TOUCH

One commentator bewails the radicalism that has nearly destroyed the old American game of draw poker. He is a fundamentalist, as opposed to the radicals who have introduced wild deuces and followed up with wild treys, one-eyed jacks, cutting for the wild card, and other forms of anarchy. Prior to these innovations there was an element of chance, of course, but some skill and brain work were required. Now the noble pastime has been reduced to the status of roulette.

Women are to blame, he believes. Not content with moving the furniture around in the house every alternate new moon, and with changing the style of their hats and gowns every season, they have jimmied up the game of poker. A man doesn't know where he'll find them. They invade the saloons (taverns) and provide revenue for the barber. They drive buses, work in factories and wear trousers in court. They fly airplanes, drive automobiles, play golf and get into the president's secretariat.

Men can't be alone any more. Looks as though men will have to reform.

## WHY NOT ASK MAXWELL?

Capt. Clifford J. MacGregor of the United States weather bureau suggests, in an article published in Collier's, that the federal government establish a checkerboard of 500 weather stations whose yearly maintenance would cost taxpayers about 6 million, to make it possible to forecast floods, storms and drouth weeks in advance, instead of only a few days in advance.

We suggest that Captain MacGregor get in touch with Prof. Selby Maxwell, who already has established a connection with the United States navy for forecasting purposes. Mr. Maxwell has been hitting the nail on the head admirably by means of a mathematical formula which seems not to require an expenditure of six million.

Who could expect a milder fall than we experienced this year? It was forecast by Professor Maxwell weeks in advance. He says we are going to have a cold snap in January to break the monotony. Watch for that. Otherwise, says Maxwell, the winter will be open and mild. Watch for that, too.

## DEAR SANTA—

In the world which sometimes seems to have too little of sentiment, it is occasion for regret that New York City's dead letter office receives fewer letters to Santa Claus each year.

Perhaps we wrongly interpret this phenomenon, but it would seem to point to a certain unhappy precocity in the modern child that finds the chubby Christmas saint a bit of a bore.

But—happy thought—maybe it means that more Dads are able economically to play Santa Claus to their own children. Anyway, the dead letter office clerks can get home earlier at night.

## GIFTS FOR THE BLIND

The American Foundation for the Blind sends important Christmas information to our desk which we are happy to pass along.

The Foundation, with the co-operation of the Library of Congress, has made available to the nation's blind "Talking Books," latest of which is Dickens' "A Christmas Carol,"

## DIXON EVENING TELEGRAPH, DIXON, ILL.

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By DREW PEARSON and ROBERT S. ALLEN

very pessimistic mood, for he even turned thumbs down on the National Manufacturers Association for taking a conciliatory attitude toward the New Deal. After what had happened in November, the Senator said he saw no reason for trying to curry the friendliness of the Roosevelt regime.

Hoover confined his remarks to foreign affairs. His only reference to domestic matters was to echo Vandenberg's disapprobation of the Townsend scheme and Republicans who are supporting it.

Note—Mr. Hoover voiced the same view to various friends during his recent visit to Washington. But in his private talks, he evinced some very strong differences with his former chief in the British Cabinet.

One was in regard to the Chamberlain policy on Spain, especially the granting of belligerent rights to Rebel General Franco.

"If that happens," the young ex-Foreign Minister said, "I shall demand from the Conservative Party."

Eden, although already resigned from the Cabinet, remains a member of Chamberlain's Party, and his resignation from it would be a terrific political blow to the Prime Minister.

Within the past few weeks, the United States also has made it clear to both the French and the British that this country is absolutely opposed to granting belligerent rights to Franco. Belligerent rights would give the Fascists the right to blockade Spanish Loyalist ports, would cut off all food supplies, starve out Barcelona in short order. With belligerent rights would give the Fascist, French, American fascists. It would mean an early Fascist victory.

Italian Strategy.

Another matter discussed during the Eden visit—which dovetails into Spain—is what Mussolini really wants in the Mediterranean.

It was the consensus of British and American opinion that at present he does not really want Tunis. His strategy is to yell for Tunis so hard that the French, to shut him up, will compromise on less.

Benito actually wants three things:

1. The French railroad from Djibouti, on the Red Sea, to Addis Ababa, capital of Ethiopia. (The Italians want to pay for this on long-term installments that it would be a virtual gift.)

2. Participation in control of the Suez Canal.

3. Belligerent rights of Franco.

Mussolini most wants the last. It means the end of the war in Spain, gives him a chance to station Italian troops along the French border, gives him naval and air bases to cut France off from her African colonies. After establishing these, if he wanted Tunis, he could probably take it.

For this reason Premier Daladier is adamant against giving belligerent rights to Franco. He would much rather give it to France the first two concessions.

The French have exchanged views with the Roosevelt Administration on this, and they see eye to eye. The Administration has gone even further and encouraged the French to stand up against the British.

Diplomatic opinion is that joint efforts of the French, the U. S. A. and Captain Eden may steady the weak knees of Neville Chamberlain.

**FDR Toast.**

During the recent congressional junket to Florida, Governor Fred Cone invited several of the Washington visitors to an informal function where a toast was drunk to President Roosevelt. Here was the toast:

"To Franklin Delano Roosevelt—may God bless, and correct him."

**Hoover Breakfast.**

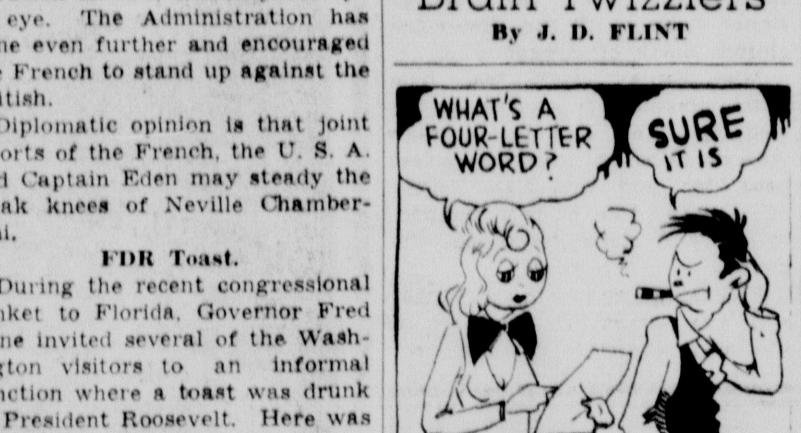
Herbert Hoover maintained a tight-lipped silence on politics during his recent one-day visit in Washington, but he listened with keen interest to the comments of others.

The discussion occurred at a breakfast given by National Chairman John Hamilton. Present were about a dozen of Hoover's old friends, plus Republican congressional leaders. Most vocal was Senator Vandenberg of Michigan.

He had quite a bit to say about the pro-Townsendism of his young Massachusetts colleague, Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, and it was not favorable. "Auctioneer" was what Vandenberg called him, for proposing a \$60-a-month compromise old-age pension plan.

Tom Dewey and Ohio's new Republican Senator Robert Taft were two others who did not seem to rate high with the Michigan Senator—why, he did not say.

Vandenberg seemed to be in a



A funny little man stood in a hardware store and looked up and down the long row of shiny —

He just looked for a long time and then he started down the row for a closer inspection of each one. He would — time and again and all down the row he lifted the — of the shiny things and looked them over carefully. Finally he heamed as he looked at a particular one and he remained on the — until a clerk came to take the one he had chosen and wrapped it up. Then, with the package tucked under his arm, the funny, little man walked out and stood in front of the store, leaning against a — and looking up and down the street.

The idea is to fill in the blanks with four-letter words, all different but having the same four-letters.

**Answer to yesterday's Twizzler.**

The cryptogram sentence, "Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their party,"

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## MENDOTA

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## JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB

The Mendota Junior Woman's Club met Tuesday evening at the home of Helen Koepfer. Jean Walker was co-hostess. A 6:30 scramble supper preceded a gift exchange. Marguerite Meisel, Katherine Elsesser, Gertrude Elsesser, Nettie Cleer and Ruth Holliston composed a quintet and sang Christmas carols. Following a short business session the group filled stockings for the annual Christmas party for Mendota children to be given in the Elks club rooms this evening.

## KING'S DAUGHTERS

The King's Daughters of the Presbyterian church met Tuesday afternoon in the church.

## CLASS PLAY

The senior class play "Spring Dance," a comedy, will be presented in the Lincoln school auditorium tonight.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Catholic Daughters of America group held its Christmas party in the music room of the Holy Cross Catholic school Tuesday evening. The room was beautifully decorated in keeping with the Christmas season and there was a gift exchange. Following the exchange of gifts a lunch was served and a social evening enjoyed.

## TOWN TOPICS

Ralph Radcliff, Elgin, was in Mendota on Tuesday afternoon attending to business interests.

Dr. Frank Gurney of Arkansas is spending several weeks in Mendota visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Gurney.

Reginald Butler of Chicago arrived the first of this week planning to visit Mendota's friends and relatives during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Conaboy of Chicago are spending several days in Mendota visiting relatives.

Bill Marion, Oglebay, transacted business in Mendota on Tuesday morning.

C. Myers Bordine, assistant state director of the NYA, and Miss Mary Stuart Anderson, district director of the NYA, met with V. H. Grandgeorge and Robert Allen Jr., at the Allen residence.

Yale Bates, Rochelle, was in Mendota visiting friends on Tuesday.

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# Society News

## Grade Schools Have Parties

Programs, games, and gift exchanging make up the Christmas parties this week, and none of these were forgotten today when hundreds of Dixon grade school children made merry at parties and entertainments planned by their teachers. The festivities were followed by dismissal of classes for the holiday recess, and anticipation of Christmas day itself—now but little more than two days distant—added to the excitement.

A Christmas program which South Central students presented yesterday for their parents at the monthly meeting of the school's Parent-Teacher association, was repeated at 10 o'clock this morning in the assembly room, together with additional numbers. During the entertainment, voices of nearly 370 children were heard singing Christmas carols.

This afternoon, parties were held in the various rooms, and treats varying from ice cream and candy to popcorn were distributed. Several groups were exchanging gift packages, too, as the party plans revolved about decorated trees in several instances.

Santa Claus himself paid a surprise visit to the new Lincoln school during general assembly this morning, and was asking for teachers' reports on the various classes. In his pack were gifts for the school janitors, Mr. Rizner and Mr. Brooks, from the teaching staff.

Under the direction of Mrs. Margaret Richards and Miss Alice Crandall, third and fourth grade students entertained with a Christmas program. Approximately 530 Dixon children enjoyed the day's festivities, which were climaxed with parties in each room this afternoon. Generosity of several Dixon Goodfellows made possible a Christmas lunch of turkey, sandwiches, dressing, ice cream and milk for under-weight children, served in the domestic science room at 10:30.

Each room enjoyed a program of its own at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the North Central school, where 360 children are enrolled. An original play, written by a group of ninth graders, was a surprise to the writers' classmates and teacher, and another group conducted a "Professor Quiz" resume of the room's study of South America. Ice cream and candy canes were presented to each child.

Mothers of the students were special guests at today's party in the primary room of the Loveland school. Special programs were planned throughout the building, and there were surprise packages to be opened.

## First of Yule Dances To Be Held Tonight

The holiday dancing season will get underway tonight, with members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce hosting at their third annual Christmas dance. Brinton Memorial Masonic temple, gaily decorated for the occasion, will provide a brilliant setting for the affair.

Kenneth Ketchin, former Dixonite, and his ten-piece Club Hollywood orchestra of Madison, Wis., will entertain from 9 o'clock on.

## Last Minute Suggestion For Your "Last-But-Not Least" Males!



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## Mt. Morris Club Plans Christmas Dancing Party

### Walker Students Will Entertain

Pupils of the Walker school and their teacher, Mrs. Dorothy Langhoff, will transform the Mt. Morris Town hall tomorrow evening, when members of the Mt. Morris Junior Woman's club will be entertaining at a brilliant Christmas dance. Three decorated trees, and numerous miniature firs will complete the holiday setting.

Members of the Deb-Henry orchestra of Rockford will entertain from 9:30 o'clock on.

Mr. and Mrs. Donovan Mills will head the receiving line. Mrs. Mills will be gowned in black. Miss Louise Curley, the club president, who will be escorted by Sheldon Stess of Rockford, will be wearing periwinkle blue taffeta. Miss Ruth Meeker, whose escort will be John Richards of Sterling, has chosen gold taffeta, and Miss K. Palmer, who will attend with Melvin Priller, will wear black taffeta.

Members of the senior Woman's club, including Mrs. R. S. Kelsey, Mrs. H. G. Mitchell, and Mrs. Paul Yoe, will assist in the check room and at the serving table.

## United Choirs Sing "Messiah"

United choirs of the Dixon and Polo Presbyterian churches, who presented a program of Christmas music by Handel at the Polo church on Sunday afternoon, repeated the numbers last evening at the Dixon church. The singers, numbering about 40, were directed by the Rev. Richard Paul Graebel, pastor of the Polo church.

Christmas selections from "The Messiah" were included in the service, soloists including the Rev. Herbert J. Doran, pastor of the Dixon church, tenor; Glenn Gibson, baritone; Mrs. Hubert White, soprano; and Mrs. Charles Joiner, alto. Mrs. Doran, Miss Betty Wales and Claude E. Ross alternated at the piano, and Mabel Mulinix was at the organ. Miss Kathleen Myers, violinist, played the offertory solo.

At the close of the service last evening, the chorus members were invited to the church basement for an informal reception. Red tapers and Christmas appointments were attractive on the refreshment table. Mrs. Doran and Mrs. E. B. Raymond presided at the silver coffee urns. The committee included Mr. and Mrs. Philip Raymond, Mrs. George E. Ties, Mrs. George Dixon, Mrs. Gibson, and Lucius Thomson.

BRIDGE-LUNCHEON

Mrs. Arthur Morris entertained 12 at luncheon and bridge yesterday. Miss Lucia Morris of Portland, Ore., was an out of town guest.

CHOIR REHEARSAL

Members of St. Luke's Episcopal choir will meet for rehearsal at 7 o'clock this evening.

## CALENDAR

### Thursday

Junior Chamber of Commerce — Annual Christmas dance, Masonic temple; Kenneth Ketchin and his Club Hollywood orchestra of Madison, Wis.

Wild Cat school — Christmas program, 8 P. M.

Senior class, Mendota high school — Will present play, "Spring Dance."

Grand Detour school — Christmas program, 7:45 P. M.

Hazelwood P. T. A. — Christmas program, 8 P. M.

Oak Forest school — Christmas program, 7:30 P. M.

### Friday

Junior Woman's club of Mt. Morris — Christmas dance, Mt. Morris Town hall.

Sugar Grove church — Christmas program, 8 P. M.

American Legion Auxiliary — Christmas party for ex-service men at Dixon State hospital.

Sanders school — Entertainment, 1:30 P. M.

## Attend W. R. C. Party In Elgin

Woman's Relief corps No. 3 of Elgin entertained department officers of the order with a turkey dinner and Christmas party on Tuesday, honoring one of the chapter's own members, Mrs. Marian Lee. Mrs. Lee is a member of the department executive board. The dinner was followed by a gift exchange.

Department officers attending included: Mrs. Norma Ogan of Chicago, president; Mrs. Janna Ware of Dixon, junior vice president; Mrs. Hazel Haedike of Des Plaines, treasurer; Mrs. Grace Seyller of Galesburg, chaplain; Mrs. Hazel Boyd of Chicago, patriotic instructor; Mrs. Elsie Gaffney of Elburn, chairman of the executive board; Mrs. Nellie Dahl of Chicago, executive board member; and Mrs. Alpharetta Hartway of Aurora, instituting and installing officer.

Mrs. Mary Bushy of Dixon was also present. Mr. and Mrs. Harley Swartz, with whom the Dixon women drove to Elgin, went on to Chicago to spend the day.

Grand Detour school — Christmas program, 7:45 P. M.

Hazelwood P. T. A. — Christmas program, 8 P. M.

Oak Forest school — Christmas program, 7:30 P. M.

Wild Cat school — Christmas program, 8 P. M.

Senior class, Mendota high school — Will present play, "Spring Dance."

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Oak Forest school — Christmas program, 7:30 P. M.

Wild Cat school — Entertainment, 1:30 P. M.

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## Plan Supper Party For School Group

Pupils of the Temperance Hill school and their families will meet at the school for a scramble supper at 6:30 o'clock Friday evening. Afterward, the children will present the following program under the direction of their teacher, Miss Dorothy Ollmann:

Song, "Merry Christmas," the school; recitation, "A Welcome," Charlotte Bothe; recitation, "Christmas Stars," Stanley Hull; exercise, "The Christmas Message," six pupils; song, "Ting-a-ling-ling," the school; recitation, "A Yuletide Question," Robert Dunbar; playlet, "Christmas Gold," nine pupils; duet, "The First Noel," Howard and Charlotte Bothe.

Recitation, "The Christmas Mouse," Walter Dunbar; exercise, "Holly Wreaths," Charlotte Bothe and Mary Sullivan; recitation, "A Christmas Wish," John Sullivan; solo, "Ring, Happy Bells," Charlotte Bothe; song, "Christmas Bells," the school; pantomime, "A Christmas Dream," five boys; recitation, "Precious Gifts," Charlotte Bothe; song, "Christmas Prayer," the school.

Exercise, "Signs of Christmas," five pupils; song, "Christmas Lullaby," Charlotte Bothe and Mary Sullivan; recitation, "Sharing Joy," Harry Saunders; song, "Santa is a Spry Old Man," the school; recitation, "First Christmas Gift," Howard Bothe; playlet, "Santa's Workshop," the school; song, "Santa Claus is Near," the school; closing verse, Mary Sullivan.

Carol singing will be the signal for the arrival of Santa Claus at the close of the program.

## Hill Students To Present Program

Pupils of the Hill school, assisted by three guest entertainers, will present a Christmas program at 7:45 o'clock Friday evening. The entertainment, to which the public is invited, will include the following numbers:

Song, "Silent Night," the school; recitation, "Christmas Wish," Wayne Bowers; scripture, the Christmas story, Dale Bowers and Lorraine Hendershott; prayer, the Rev. W. E. Thompson; Christmas story, read by Frances Bowers and portrayed by school; recitation, Elaine Lloyd.

Playlet, "Bird's Christmas Carol," piano solo, Dolores Lloyd; tap dance, Allen Bolton; vocal solo, Gordon McCleary; play, "Day After Christmas," Douglas Lloyd, Louise Preas, and Gordon McCleary; songs, "Jingle Bells," "Up on the Housetop," and "Jolly Old St. Nicholas," the school.

Miss Mary Roeder is the teacher.

## Girl Scouts Sing; Have Chili Supper

Eighteen Girl Scouts of Troop No. 3 made a carol-singing tour of the town last evening. Afterward, the singers were entertained with a chili supper at the home of Mrs. C. C. Hintz. Mrs. Raymond Worsley and Miss Estella Anderson assisted Mrs. Hintz with the party plans.

WOMEN'S ORDER

Members of the Women's Catholic Order of Forsters will meet at 7:30 o'clock this evening in the Knights of Columbus hall.

AFTERNOON GUESTS

Mrs. Raymond Wagner received a small group of friends at tea yesterday afternoon. Carol singing was included in the party plans.

FRIDAY-SCHIEIR

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Friday of Chana are announcing the marriage of their daughter, Esther Louise, to Harold Schieir of Oregon. The vows were solemnized Saturday by the Rev. George Bonte, pastor of the Reformed church north of Oregon.

Miss Friday wore teal blue with dubonnet accessories for her wedding. Her shoulder corsage was of Talisman roses and sweet peas. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Friday of Ashton, the bride's brother-in-law and sister, attended the couple.

Following the ceremony, luncheon was served at the home of the bride's parents for members

## Gooch School Will Observe Christmas

The Gooch school near Ashton will entertain parents of the students and their friends with a Christmas program at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon. Miss Mary Williford, the teacher, is announcing the following entertainment:

Welcome song, "Christmas Mouse," the school; recitation, "A Welcome," Charlotte Bothe; recitation, "Merry Christmas," Stanley Vaupe; solo, "Shine, Little Star," Shirley Kersten; playlet, "The Christmas Message," the school; song, "Dear Little Stranger," the girls; recitation, "Christmas Bells," Pauline Geron; piano solo, "Christmas Eve," second grade.

Solo, "All Ashore," Helen Kersten; piano trio, Phyllis Cordes, Eleanor Schafer, and Ione Wells; song, "Old Black Joe," boys of the school; song, "Dear Little Stranger," the girls; recitation, "Christmas Bells," Pauline Geron; piano solo, "Christmas Eve," Helen Kersten.

Musical dialogue, "Christmas Story," Walter Dunbar; exercise, "Holly Wreaths," Charlotte Bothe and Mary Sullivan; recitation, "A Christmas Wish," John Sullivan; solo, "Ring, Happy Bells," Shirley Kersten; playlet, "The Christmas Message," the school; song, "Dear Little Stranger," the girls; recitation, "Christmas Bells," Pauline Geron; piano solo, "Christmas Eve," Helen Kersten.

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Normal Students Are Enroute Home

When Old Main clock strikes five this afternoon, approximately 2,000 Illinois State Normal university students will be homeward bound to spend the Christmas recess. After returning classes on Jan. 3, students will have three weeks in which to prepare for semester examinations.

Lee county students at Normal this year include: Lois Lucille Hank, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Hank of rural route 4, Dixon; Dorothy Jean Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hill of rural route 3, Amboy; Wayne Hoyle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hoyle, rural route 2, Amboy; Ruth Carolyn Ropp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Ropp, Steward; Delia Marie Rocho, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rocho, Amboy; Elizabeth Eileen Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter D. Scott, Amboy.

Mary Louise Weisse, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Weise, Ashton; Pauline Mossholder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Mossholder, LaMoile; Lelia Dolores Meyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew H. Meyer, Amboy; Helen Marie Wasmund, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wasmund, rural route 4, Dixon; John Eisenberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Eisenberg, Amboy; Clifton Sauer, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Sauer, Dixon; Floyd Covill, son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Covill, Amboy.

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## PERSONALS

Attorney Elwin Wadsworth of this city and Amos Eberly of Nelson spent yesterday at the state institution at Menard where they visited with Sylvester Brierton.

Hal Hoberts was a business visitor in Peoria today.

Major A. T. Tourillott is expected home this evening from Hines memorial hospital, where he has been resting and receiving treatment.

Mrs. Mary Wiser has returned from a visit in Chicago with her son, Kenneth, who will spend Christmas Day here with his mother.

Robert Straw, a senior at the University of Illinois, will spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Straw.

Miss Jean Murray, who is employed in Chicago, will arrive tomorrow evening to visit until Monday evening with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. G. Murray.

John J. Spangler left this afternoon for Urbana, and will be accompanied home tomorrow by his brother, Paul, a senior at the University of Illinois, who will spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Spangler.

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## TODAY'S MARKET REPORT

## Markets at a Glance

(By The Associated Press)

**New York**—Stocks irregular; rails higher as aircrafts weaken. Bonds steady; rails in demand. Curb mixed; aircrafts decline. Foreign exchange steady; sterling franc narrow. Cotton uneven; January liquidation, trade buying. Sugar improved; steady spot market. Coffee easy; commission house liquidation. **Chicago**—Wheat higher; pessimistic crop prospect. Corn lower; no export business. Cattle strong to 25 cents lower. Hogs \$15 higher.

## Local Markets

## CHICAGO NET TRACK BIDS

	New	High	Low	Close
WHEAT	4 white Dec. 15...	473		
No. 2 white	2 with scale	468		
No. 2 white corn	20 days	513		
No. 2 yellow corn	497			
No. 3 white corn	508			
No. 3 yellow corn	483			
No. 2 oats	293			
No. 3 rye 10 days	433			
No. 2 yellow beans Dec. 16	512			

Freight to Chicago from Dixon: corn and rye 6¢ per bu; wheat and beans 7¢ cents.

## Chicago Grain Table

(By The Associated Press)

## Open High Low Close

WHEAT	Dec	63%	64%	63%	64%
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Mar	66	66%	65%	66%
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May	66%	67	66%	66%
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July	66%	66%	66%	66%
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CORN	Dec	49%	50	49%	49%
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Mar	52	52%	51%	51%
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July	53	53%	52%	52%
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OATS	Dec	28%	28%	27%	28%
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May	28%	28%	28%	28%
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July	27%	27%	27%	27%
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SOY BEANS	Dec	80%	80%	80%	80%
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May	80%	80%	80%	80%
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July	80%	80%	80%	80%
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RYE	Dec	41%	41%	41%	41%
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May	45%	45%	44%	44%
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July	45	45%	44%	44%
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## Chicago Cash Grain

Chicago, Dec. 22—(AP)—Cash wheat sample grade hard 58½¢;

No. 3 red 57½¢;

Corn No. 2 mixed 51¢; No. 3, 52¢;

No. 2, 51½¢; No. 3, 50½¢;

No. 4, 49½¢;

No. 5, 53½¢;

Oats No. 1 mixed 29½¢; No. 2,

No. 2 white 31½¢; No. 3, 29½¢;

No. 4, 28; sample grade white 24½¢;

Barley Illinois malting 45¢/63

nom; Illinois feed 32¢/48 nom;

No. 3, 58.

Soy beans No. 3 yellow 80½¢;

Timothy seed 2.85¢/3.15.

Red clover seed 13.00¢/16.00.

Red top 8.75¢/9.25.

## Chicago Livestock

Chicago, Dec. 22—(AP)—Hogs:

21,000 including 6,000 direct; mod-

erately active; some 10,000 high

than Wednesday's average; mostly 15 up to 77.5¢; good and

choice 150-200 lbs. 7.60¢/7.75¢; 210-

230 lbs 7.35¢/6.60; 240-290 lbs 7.15¢/25¢;

good, light and medium

weight packing sows largely 6.50

75¢; extreme weights down to

6.00.

Cattle 4,500; calves 1,200; ship-

per demand not so broad and steer

trade weak to 25 lower on

weighty kinds; with yearlings and

light steers about steady; all

grades still sharply higher than a

week ago; killing quality less de-

sirable; mostly 8 up to 11.00

upper cut; steer crop 12.00 to

12.75; with 1275 lbs averages up to

12.85; all other killing classes

ready to strong; with clearance

active; best heifers in load lots

9.25; common and medium kinds

7.00/8.00; cutter cows 4.25¢/5.25¢;

weighty sausage bulls sold freely;

to shippers at 6.75¢/9.00; with ex-

treme top at 7.00; vealers 8.50¢/9.50;

replacement cattle in neg-

ligible supply.

Sheep 7,000 including 200 direct

late Wednesday; fat lambs strong to

25 higher; buls 9.00 downward,

with 9.25 paid sparingly by pack-

ers; top natives 9.35 to small kill-

ers; today's trade fat lambs open-

ing about steady; weights consid-

ered; early sales choice 97 to 104

lbs average 9.00/9.10; best light

weights held around 9.25¢/35¢;

indications steady on sheep.

Official estimated receipts to-

morrow: cattle 1,000; hogs 17,000;

sheep 8,000.

## Chicago Produce

Chicago, Dec. 22—(AP)—Potatoes

83 on track 222, total U.S.

shipments 399; steady; supplies

moderate; Idaho russets good

quality large, demand moderate,

fair quality medium size demand

slow; Colorado red McClures de-

mand good; other stock slow;

packed per cwt Idaho russet pur-

banks U.S. No. 1, few sales 1.65

75¢; occasional large 1.85¢; Col-

orado red McClures S No. 1, one

sack very few sales 2.05;

bullock sacks 1.75¢/2.00 according

to color; Wisconsin round whites

few sales 1.10¢/15; North Dakota

cobblers 90 per cent U.S. No. 1,

1.40; new stock street sales, bush-

el crates Florida bliss triumphs

U.S. No. 1, 2.00; Texas U.S. No. 1,

1.95¢/2.00; U.S. No. 1, 1.12¢ inch

minimum 1.85¢; size B 1.75¢.

Poultry live, 1 car 57 trucks;

turkeys, ducks and geese easy,

balance steady; Plymouth rock

springs under 4 lbs 17; turkeys

hens 26, old toms 17. No. 2 tur-

keys 18; ducks 4½ up white up

15; colored 14, small white 13,

colored 12; geese 13½; other pri-

ces unchanged.

Dressed turkeys steady; bbbs

old to 22½, other prices un-

changed.

Butter 503.81¢, firmer, cream-

ery specials (93 score) 26½¢/27½¢;

extras (92) 26½¢; extra rts (90-

91) 26½¢; firsts (88-89) 25½¢;

seconds (84-87½) 24; stand-

ards (90 centralized carlots) 26½

27½¢.

Eggs 4,849, unsettled; fresh

graded extra firsts 24½¢/25½¢;

firsts 23½¢/24½¢, current receipts

23; refrigerator extras 21½¢;

standards 21; firsts 20½¢.

Butted futures close; storage

standards Dec. 26%; Jan. 25½%;

Feb. 24½%.

Egg futures close; refrigerator

standards Dec. 20%; Jan. 19%.

## Wall Street Close

All Corp 1; Al Chem &amp; Dye

186; All Strs 10½%; Alis Ch Mfg

46½%; Am Can 99½%; Am Car &amp;

Fdy 30½%; Am Com Alco 9½%

Am Loco 27½%; Am M &amp; Met

## Mother Identifies Slain Daughter



## German Demand—

(Continued from Page 1.)

The exchange brought an extremely sharp new strain on German-American relations already tense from the recent withdrawal of ambassadors of both countries and German's response to increasingly-insistent recent American notes. The state department considered the latter unsatisfactory.

Thomsen had told Welles he trusted the government of the United States would make public an official expression of regret for Ickes' statement. This Welles flatly refused to do.

The acting secretary replied that for several months he had closely followed the German press and had rarely read more unjustifiable criticism or open attacks of another government than had been made therein. Welles mentioned recent attacks on President Roosevelt and members of the cabinet. He bluntly said he was sure the German charge d'affaires could hardly dispute that the German press was completely under the influence and direction of the German government.

## FANFARE—



By DON DANIELSON

Included in the pre-Christmas sports entertainment for fans of Dixon and vicinity will be the boxing exhibition at the Dixon state hospital on Friday night starting at 7:30. The fights are to be held in the amusement hall and will be open to the public. Included on the card will be Golden Gloves Champion Linto Guerrieri of Rock Falls, Billy Davis, James Fortner, Ivan Helmick and Paul and Jack Hess. It is also reported that Father Leonard Guzzardo of St. Patrick's church will be there with his boys.

The I. N. U. ping-pongers trimmed the Elks team 18 to 7 at the Elks club last night. On Monday night the Elks trimmed the I. N. U. boys by the same score. Those playing on the Elks teams last night were Wilbur, Crawford, Branigan, Krom and Badger. The paddle boys of the I. N. U. were Dietrich, Roe, Dougherty, Emmert and Phelps.

By virtue of their defeat of Rock Falls, 20 to 19, last night the Mt. Morris cagers moved into a first place with Polo in the standings of the Rock River conference. McNett, Mt. Morris guard, was high point man for his team with six points and Robinson of Rock Falls tallied nine points. Rock Falls won the lightweight game, 23 to 21 in an overtime battle. Polo and Mt. Morris each have two victories and Morrison and Rochelle have each lost one in the conference standings.

With the Industrial Basketball League's holiday recess next week the league series will be extended another week into the spring which sets the closing date at March 22. When play is resumed on January 11 the I. N. U. team and Knacks will meet in the first game and Borden and Reynolds in the second. This will complete the first of the three rounds in the series.

For awhile last night it looked as though the second game of the Industrial League's card might be called off with only four of the Borden's players on deck when the whistle was about to be sounded. Randall Warfel, the fifth player, came just in the nick of time and every one urged him to hurry into his basketball clothes. Warfel peeled off his overcoat and revealed a sweat shirt and pants. He discarded and walked on to the floor after ten seconds of preparation—fully outfitted in the accepted togs. The Borden team lacked the services of Ken Bishop, forward, who yesterday afternoon sprained his ankle while skating on the flooded rink at the state hospital.

Mendota high school, a rival of Dixon in the North Central conference, defeated Malden Tuesday night by a score of 38 to 16. The boys of the Mendota team who will bear watching when Dixon invades their camp on January 13 will be L. Reeder and Miller, forwards, who both scored seven field goals in the Malden encounter. Reeder added to his totals with two free throws.

Just to show how quickly water over the dam becomes part of the whirlpool and is lost and forgotten, the coading staff of the high school made a little speculation on the scores of the two Dixon-Sterling basketball games last year. All agreed that Dixon lost the game here by two points, but the score was forgotten. The actual figures were Dixon 12; Sterling 14. Concerning the game at Sterling, Mr. Bowers and Coach Sharpe said the score was "around 28 to 17" and Marvin Winger guest it at "22 to 16." The actual score was Dixon 25 and Sterling 19.

The standings in the Route 72 conference show Leaf River, the basketball five which won the Shannon invitation tournament last week, tops the list with four wins and no losses. Ashton has one victory with none lost; Byron has two wins and one defeat; Stillman Valley has a victory and two defeats; Monroe Center stands with one triumph and two losses; Franklin Grove has won two an lost three; Kirkland has won none and lost one and Forrester has three defeats.

Francis "Hank" Henry who starred on the Drake university football team this past season has shifted his activities and is now a member of the school's varsity cage squad. Hank will be in Dixon for only a short time during the holidays and must return to the university for a between-holiday game with a traveling team from Oregon State.

## Yawkey, Disillusioned, Appears To Enjoy Tearing Apart Boston Red Sox

By GAYLE TALBOT

New York, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Newly disenchanted and dispirited, young Tom Yawkey appears to be taking great delight in tearing apart the Boston Red Sox team on which he spent upward of \$1,000,000 a few years ago, and which finally rewarded him with second place in the American League last season.

The trade which sent infielder Eric McNair to the Chicago White Sox in exchange for Boze Berger lopped off one more of the galaxy of stars for whom Yawkey handed old Connie Mack an estimated \$500,000. The members of "Yawkey's folly" are being replaced by inexpensive youngsters.

Yawkey said last spring he would give his "millionaires" one more fling, and then forward would develop his own players. The past season must have convinced him a young and great team would be needed to overtake the Yankees.

**Pitchers Disappear**  
Of three expensive pitchers purchased from Connie Mack, Rubie Walberg and Johnny Marmon have disappeared from the big show, and Lefty Grove probably pitched his final nine inning game last season. Wes Ferrell, another prize of the biggest spending spree in baseball

history, is winding up as relief pitcher for the Yankees.

Yawkey bought four of Mack's infielders, and the only one left is the veteran Jimmy Foxx, who made a sensational comeback the past campaign to win the American League batting crown. McNair has gone to the White Sox, third baseman Pinky Higgins recently was traded to Detroit, and Bishop retired.

**Obtain a Non-Reporter**  
Incidentally, the White Sox may have obtained a non-reporter in yesterday's deal, for McNair recently was quoted as saying he didn't care about playing baseball unless he could return to the A's and play under the kindly Connie Mack.

Outfielder Ben Chapman, obtained from Washington to round out the slugging Red Sox outfield last season, has been traded to Cleveland for a pitcher, Denny Galehouse, and his place probably will be filled by young Ted Williams, who was with Minneapolis last year. Roger Cramer, another ex-Athletic, remains in the outfield, along with Joe Vosmik, for whom Boston gave up three players.

Thus, of Yawkey's attempt to buy a championship, there remain only the four "varsity" players—Vosmik, Cramer, Foxx and Manager-Shortstop Joe Cronin.

## Rock Island to Honor The "Three Musketeers"

**TONIGHT.**  
Sterling at Dixon.  
Baseball movie, Dixon Elks club.

**December 23**  
Dixon at Freeport.  
Kings at Byron.  
Oregon vs. Alumni.  
Mendota at DePue.

**December 27-30**  
First annual invitational basketball tournament at DePue.

**December 28-30**  
Route 72 Conference at Kirkland, Leaf River and Monroe Center.

**December 28**  
Rock Falls vs. Alumni.  
Amboy vs. Alumni.

**TOP FOR TULANE**  
New Orleans, Dec. 22—Bob Kellogg, sophomore halfback, finished the season with the best ball-carrying record in Tulane University football history. He averaged seven yards a try.

Only a few hundred years ago, people believed in the existence of such animals as a "sea satyr."

## Sterling-Dixon Game Tonight

## Franklin Grove, Steward Win Last Night

## TWO LEE COUNTY TEAMS WIN TILTS PLAYED LAST EVE

## Steward Defeats Ashton; Franklin Grove Downs Stillman Valley

Coach John Mitchell's Franklin Grove cagers nosed out Stillman Valley in the heavyweight game which ended 25 to 23 last night on the home court and advanced the standings in the Route 72 conference to two victories against three defeats.

Lightweights, unbeaten in the conference, kept their record clean by trouncing the Stillman Valley ponies, 21 to 9.

An early lead chalked up by Franklin Grove in the heavyweight affair made a second-half rally by the visitors just short of the winning margin. The Grovers collected seven points in the first stanza and held the Valley lads to one free throw. In the second period the hosts forged ahead for 11 more points while Stillman Valley picked up six.

**Stillman Valley Rallies**  
The invaders came back into the second half with renewed vigor and started off the third quarter with seven points while the Grovers were held to two. Stillman Valley continued its charge into the last frame with nine more points while the Grovers tallied only five. The hosts' first half margin saved the game for them.

Zimmerman, Franklin Grove forward, snagged the scoring honors of the evening with a total of 14 points from five field goals and four successful attempts from the free-throw line. Barrick, Stillman Valley center, led the scoring of his quintet with a total of seven points from two field goals and three free throws.

## TOURNEY NEXT WEEK

Basketball teams of the Route 72 conference will play at Kirkland, Monroe Center and Leaf River next week in a holiday tournament. Dates and places of games are as follows:

Wednesday, Dec. 28, at Kirkland—game 1, Forrester and Kirkland; game 2, Stillman Valley and Leaf River; game 3, Byron and Ashton; game 4, Franklin Grove and Monroe Center.

Thursday, Dec. 29, at Leaf River—game 5, loser 1 and loser 2; game 6, loser 3 and loser 4; game 7, winner 1 and winner 2; game 8, winner 3 and winner 4.

Friday, Dec. 30, at Monroe Center—game 9, winner 5 and winner 6 (consolation); game 10, loser 7 and loser 8 (third place) game 11, winner 7 and winner 9 (championship).

Officials for the tournament are DeForest, Hitchcock and C. C. Ellis of Rochelle.

**Box score:**  
use the 1938 AAA cro pcontrol  
Franklin Grove (25)

Fg Ft F T  
Zimmerman, f 5 2 4 14  
Herwig, f 2 0 4 4  
Maronde, f 0 1 2 1  
Pyse, c 0 0 0 0  
McDowell, g 2 1 3 5  
Roop, g 0 1 3 1  
Ives, g 0 0 2 0

Stillman Valley (23)

Fg Ft F T

Stunstevant, f 2 2 3 8

Swanson, f 0 1 0 5

Beebe, c 0 1 0 5

Perry, g 1 0 0 2

Garnhart, g 0 3 4 3

Macklin, g 0 0 0 0

Totals 9 7 16 25

Score by quarters: 7 8 11 23

Franklin Grove 7 18 20 25

Stillman Valley 1 7 14 23

**STEWART WINS.**

At Ashton in the Mills-Petrie Memorial gym last night the Steward high school heavyweight basketball team, runners-up in the Green River Valley conference tournament last week, defeated the Ashton cagers, 35 to 22.

In the lightweight game the Steward boys nosed out the hosts by the close margin of 15 to 14 and in the grade school game the hosts trimmed Steward's representatives 23 to 9. Trees and Walker were the officials.

## Feature Game.

In the feature game between the heavyweight the Steward five was behind at the close of the first period, 5 to 6, but thereafter took a command of the situation and broke consistently through the Ashton defense to score eight points in the second quarter, 13 in the third and nine in the final stanza. The hosts never got beyond a total of six points in any frame.

G. Herrmann, center for the Steward quintet, lead the scoring of his team with a total of 11 points from four field goals and three free throws. Carter, his teammate and guard on the squad, tallied 10 points from four field goals and two charity shots.

Bailey, Ashton forward, led the offense of his crew as he collected

## High School Cagers Open North Central Conference Competition Here Tonight

## PROBABLE LINEUPS

McNameera	Forward	Wolf
Bevilacqua	Forward	Reitzel
Bugg	Center	Woodyatt
Wienman	Guard	Grieser
Moore	Guard	Ridge

TIME: B teams at 7 p. m. Main event about 8:00 p. m.

PLACE: Dixon high school gymnasium.  
OFFICIALS: Vaughn and Carlson of Rockford.  
COACHES: L. E. Sharpe (Dixon); Curtis Brandau (Sterling).

Dixon, on the other hand, may see the return of Russell Bush and Earl Page who have been absent from the local aggregation since Bush's operation and an infection on Page's leg due to an injury in the Sterling-Dixon football game here Nov. 11.

Coach Sharpe is standing on a pat hand with his lineup for tonight's heavyweight encounter. The five boys mentioned as probable starters are the five who began the Freeport game here on Dec. 9 and who carried the game to its successful end. If the combination works well tonight, it is probable that the same five will start in the game with Freeport tomorrow night.

Commenting on the tilt tonight, Coach Sharpe warned, "Sterling games are always good games." Last year Brandau's boys defeated Dixon here in the first game of the season between the two rivals by the close margin of 14 to 12. Dixon visited the Township court on Feb. 18 and avenged the defeat by trimming Sterling 25 to 19.

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## Dirty Shirt Is Cause of Spying Probe In Spain

London, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Official reports reaching London today asserted that "approximately 1,000" arrests had occurred in insurgent Spain in a great spy hunt which authoritative persons here suggested might affect the entire course of the Spanish Civil war.

The arrests were the sequel of what the London informants called the "case of the dirty shirt."

The shirt in question was found in the baggage of Harold Goodman, British vice consul at San Sebastian, when he was stopped at Irun, on the French border, Monday. Inside it was "incriminating information" which led to the arrests.

Informants here said Goodman had been absolved of guilt in the affair, but that several employees of British consulates in insurgent territory were "under suspicion."

Several Spanish nationals are employed in British consular offices in Spain, but it was not known here whether all those arrested were Spanish.

Officials in London explained that Goodman was carrying an "official bag" but not a "diplomatic bag," which would have been immune from search.

British officials have conveyed their regrets to Insurgent Generalissimo Francisco Franco concerning the affair.

It was said the "dirty shirt" itself might prove to be a vital clue in the biggest espionage conspiracy of the Spanish war. British and Spanish insurgent officials are trying to determine whose shirt it was and who placed it and incriminating papers in Goodman's bag.

## "Diabolical" Says Doctor of U. S. Indictment

Portland, Ore., Dec. 22.—(AP)—Dr. R. G. Leland, director of the bureau of medical economics of the American Medical Association, called the federal indictments against members of the District of Columbia Medical Society and five A. M. A. officials the "most diabolical persecutions of the medical profession we have ever witnessed."

Speaking before the Multnomah County Medical Society last night, Dr. Leland, one of those indicted, said the grand jury presumably acted "because the medical profession has gone too far in medical economics."

"Armchair" statisticians in Washington are telling the people that our medical services are entirely inadequate," x x x but x x x "never before on this continent nor on any other have there been 130,000,000 people who have recorded such low death and morbidity rates as will be recorded in this country in 1938."

## Grand Jury Indicts 19 In Texas Mail Fraud

New York, Dec. 22.—(AP)—A federal grand jury today indicted Rufus Oliver, special investigator for the local district attorney in Corpus Christi, Texas, and 21 other persons on charge of mail fraud and conspiracy growing out of a \$100,000 race track confidence swindle.

Federal officials said victims were mostly elderly persons in Texas, California and other western states who were taken in by the ancient nebulous promise of fortunes to be made on "fixed" races at American, Canadian and Cuban tracks.

John J. Dowling, Assistant U. S. Attorney, said individual swindles ranged from \$1,000 to \$25,000. Prosecution of the ring was initiated in New York after Postal Inspector Herbert N. Graham discovered that much of the defendants' mail was cleared through local post offices. Dowling said the ring operated chiefly from Corpus Christi, however, and asserted it obtained cooperation there from some police officers and bankers.

ON PROBATION

Chicago, Dec. 22.—(AP)—John Lysaught, 43, suspended fire captain, was placed on probation for a year by Judge William J. Lindsay in criminal court yesterday.

Lysaught, who had been with the fire department for 19 years, pleaded guilty last month of obtaining \$1,500 under false pretenses by passing fake money orders. His attorney told Judge Lindsay that Lysaught would make full restitution.

STRANGE DENIZEN

Cairo, Ill., Dec. 22.—(AP)—On exhibition here today was one of the most peculiar denizens ever taken from the Ohio river on a fish hook. It was identified at the Cairo aquarium as a porpoise or olni, a native of Japanese waters, which feeds on fish.

The denizen had a head and short front legs of a frog, a long body similar to that of a lizard and short hind legs. Its dark gray body was without scales, but slick like an eel.

NOT DISCOURAGED

Lynn, Mass., Dec. 22.—(AP)—Leo H. Wade, found a woman's purse on the street, opened it and discovered \$2,613 in cash and bank books for deposits of \$3,200.

An automobile license listed the owner's name so Leo returned it to her hotel.

His reward was \$5. Said Wade: "I'd do the same thing again."

The nest of bald or golden eagles weigh from 10 to 12 pounds.

## U. S. Hunts in Spain for 1,500 Missing Passports

Washington, Dec. 22.—(AP)—The state department began a search in war-devastated Spain today for more than 1,500 missing American passports which it feared eventually might be put to improper use.

Most of the original owners of the passports were among the 2,500 Americans killed while fighting for the Barcelona government against General Franco's forces.

American volunteers broke pledges to passport officials here by entering Spain to fight, as visas were not given for that purpose. The men turned over their papers to Spanish authorities, and few of the documents have been returned. Many of the passports were lost, captured by Franco troops, or placed in safekeeping by officials who later were killed.

American consular officials are seeking the cooperation of the Barcelona government, in locating the papers, lest they be used by other persons for illegal entry into the United States or other countries.

## Marriage and Divorce Rates Both Increased

Chicago, Dec. 22.—(AP)—The 1937 marriage and divorce rates in the United States were the highest since 1923, two University of Chicago research workers estimated today.

They found there were 11,035 marriages and 1,935 divorces for every 1,000 persons. The marriage rate was 40 per cent above that of the depression year of 1932 and the divorce rate was 50 per cent higher than in the peak year of 1935.

The statistics were compiled by Dr. Samuel A. Stouffer, professor of sociology, and Lyle M. Spencer, and were based on marriage reports from 23 states and divorce figures from 16 states.

National statistics were not published prior to 1920 and the census bureau ceased to issue them in 1932.

Dr. Stouffer and Spencer reported Florida had the greatest gain—50 per cent—in the number of divorces in 1936 and 1937.

Renzo divorces slumped sharply and although Nevada quadrupled its divorces between 1920 and 1937 the state total was six per cent fewer in the latter year than in 1936.

## Four Children Die as Home in Georgia Burns

Hoschton, Ga., Dec. 22.—(AP)—Four children of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Miller, ranging in age from 18 months to four years, burned to death when fire destroyed their home last night.

The children were alone in the house, their parents being at work. A nurse who had been employed to stay with them for the evening had not reported, neighbors said.

## JUSTICES RELENT

London, Dec. 22.—(AP)—The court room tomato-tosser, Frank Harrison, may spend Christmas at home.

The two justices at whom he tossed tomatoes because they refused an appeal in minor case relented, accepted his apologies and sent him free on the 19th day of a six-week sentence.

The tomatoes really were for lunch, Harrison said, but "I lost my end."

An old automobile invented and built in 1903 by G. S. Waters of New Bern, N. C., is still running.



Add your name to our list for delivery of tender turkeys that will make your guests compliment your meal.

## 100 TURKEYS TO CHOOSE FROM THE SAME BRAND OF TURKEYS WE HAD FOR THANKSGIVING -- ALSO DUCKS

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## A. P. Christmas Broadcast Will Be Big Feature

New York, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Raymond Massey, who is Abraham Lincoln on the stage, will play the same role in a Christmas broadcast.

It is in the NBC salute to the Associated Press in connection with the dedication of the new AP building in Rockefeller Center and the 90th anniversary of the founding of the world-wide news gathering organization.

Massey will take part in that section of the program dealing with the assassination of Lincoln. He is currently appearing in the Broadway production of "Abe Lincoln in Illinois."

The broadcast, drama except for a talk by Byron Price, AP executive news editor, will be devoted to a re-enactment of the outstanding news stories covered by the AP in its long existence.

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## Former Railroad Chief Found Dead in Office

Atlanta, Dec. 22.—(AP)—John Lord Nisbet, 66, real estate dealer and former railroad president, was found slumped over a desk in his suburban office last night, a fatal shotgun wound in his head.

Desk Sergeant R. S. Carroll of the Fulton county police force said county policemen found three notes in the office. He said one, addressed to them, read in part:

"There is no cash nor other resources available for a burial in a private cemetery. x x x I desire only the very simplest of wooden coffins."

Police quoted close friends of Nisbet as saying he had been in poor health.

Nisbet, a native of Savannah, was president of the Georgia, Florida & Alabama Railroad from 1924 until the road was leased to the Seaboard Air Line in 1930.

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## Japanese Activities are Under Scrutiny in Hawaii

Honolulu, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Meetings of Japanese and articles in Japanese language newspapers came under scrutiny today as federal representatives widened their investigation of reported plans to market unregistered Japanese emergency bonds in Hawaii.

Roger Kent, Securities and Exchange commission attorney of San Francisco, after several days inquiry in Hawaii, flew by naval plane to Hilo yesterday to continue his inquiry whether federal law had been violated.

Articles in Japanese language newspapers of Honolulu and Hilo containing references to a "public loan subscription to the fatherland" and plans "to raise 1,000,000 yen" (about \$280,000) prompted the investigation.

Bonds not registered with the SEC in Washington, investigators explained, could not be offered legally in the United States.

A meeting of Japanese at Hilo to discuss the bonds was described by the Nippu Jipi, published here.

## FALL KILLS ATTORNEY

Leland, Ill., Dec. 22.—Injuries suffered Sunday when he fell off a ladder at his home proved fatal yesterday to A. A. Clapsaddle, 73, Leland attorney.

At each meal—or three times a day—the United States consumes on an average 14,684,000 pounds of beef, veal, pork and lamb.

## CHINESE REPORT ADVANCE THROUGH JAPS DEFENSES

Shanghai, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Chinese reported today their forces had smashed through defenses at the east gate of Yochow, only important city held by the Japanese in Hunan province, and that street fighting was in progress.

Yochow, 122 miles up the Yangtze river from Hankow, is the base from which the Japanese launched their Hunan campaign shortly after the fall of Hankow. They advanced to 40 miles south of Yochow before the Chinese started driving them back up the Canton-Hankow railway.

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## DECORATIONS AT CHRISTMAS TIME CAN BE VARIED

Numerous Suggestions to Get New Effects Are Offered Readers

Dear Friends in Dixon:

There is one important rule for the Christmas table — decorate. You may decorate with modernistic garlands, or with old-time holly and mistletoe, but the main thing is to trim the holiday table.

Somehow very special decorations for Christmas not only are good for the morale, but they make it easier to recapture that old Yuletide enchantment. Christmas entertaining should be dignified with an appropriate setting, planned in advance, and not assembled in haphazard haste as one more last-minute job.

Fruit and vegetable centerpieces have been growing steadily in favor, and now the florists have joined the parade, combining them with flowers. Recently an exclusive Park Avenue florist exhibited an arrangement of oranges, rosy apples, bananas, English walnuts and purple grapes in a shallow wooden tray, with six deep red rosebuds and a few green leaves. The roses were placed in a small container hidden in the center, with fruit arranged around them. A similar idea was carried out in small vegetables, using yellow and lavender flowers.

Did you try one of the new giant candles last Christmas? One of them will burn Christmas Eve and Christmas, and might be held over for New Year's too. One large candle, or a pair, at each end of the table, would be most decorative.

**Naturalistic Drippings**

Some of the super-candles come complete with naturalistic drippings from the very start and they are made of an especially luminous type of white wax. If the holiday table is to be all-white, use these candles and English ivy in a white pot for the center. The large candles also are effective on the mantel. They should be available in red this season, as well as in pure white.

Christmas decorations need not be costly, particularly if you can use prunings from evergreens in your own yard. Cuttings of barberry, with its bright red berries, will combine with English ivy and with a centerpiece of vegetables and fruits. Many ingenious decorators take a country hike before the holidays and bring back dried grasses, cones and seed pods that will take the place of evergreen.

Hemlock drops its needles soon after it is brought indoors, but will last satisfactorily outside. Balsam and cedar are fragrant and keep well.

In keeping with the all-white tradition are white poinsettias, which seem more fragile and star-like than the usual red flowers. Slender white candles enhance the delicacy of the flowers. White star-shaped candle holders are available. New and scintillating are copper screen Christmas trees, with candles inside of them. Tiny Christmas trees made entirely of glass also are being shown for the festive board.

Say what you will about snowy white, many folks maintain scantly that red is the only color for Christmas. For a showy, inexpensive decoration, how about "planting" large red candles in flowerpots trimmed with cellophane. A few cuttings of ivy or evergreen, or holly, should be used around the base of the candles, which may be arranged in graduated sizes. As a real surprise, use a row of flowerpots down the entire center of the table.

If you have brass candlesticks, all means use red and green candles in them.

**Children Can Help**

Many mothers like to entertain for junior during the holiday season. The children themselves can help decorate for these parties. Nothing is more effective than ropes of snowy popcorn, alternating with bright red cranberries. Supply stout basting thread and needles and let them make the festoons.

If place cards are being used on

the table, buy a candy cane for each guest, heap the canes in the center of the table, running a ribbon to each individual plate.

One hostess made cookie place cards, using gingerbread dough, very stiff and roll out to one-eighth inch thickness on a floured board. The baked cookies were decorated with piped white icing which formed the first name of each junior guest. Use initials, or nicknames, if space is limited. Tiny candies will serve instead of the icing.

Another industrious cook mounted her Christmas cookies on stiff cardboard squares, by running ribbon through the squares and around the cookies, and used them as Christmas greetings.

The questions of how to stop tree needles from falling was answered this month by a forestry official in these words:

"The balsam fir is the most common Christmas tree because of its pleasing odor and is probably the best. Spruces, particularly the Norway spruce, are growing in popularity. They are cheaper and hold their needles almost as long as the firs."

"Tests show that all of these trees, particularly the firs, spruce and hemlock, hold their needles much longer indoors when they are dug with a few roots and then placed in a tub or bucket of moist soil or peat moss. Small trees can be dug with a ball of earth around the roots, or bought from nurserymen already in tubs."

### Good Luck Symbols

If the Christmas tree is purchased in advance, keep it in a cold room, plunged in a deep pail of water. It is possible also to "plant" a cut Christmas tree in a container of moist earth, which may be disguised with green branches, or covered with holiday wrappings. This will prolong the life of the tree.

Many centuries ago, inspired by the legend of the Wise Men bringing gifts of spices and honey to the Infant Jesus, candies and little cakes were chosen as good luck symbols to hang on Christmas trees. In medieval times, honey was the only sweetening available, and to this day honey cakes and cookies are a part of Christmas preparation in many homes.

Children still like to hang popcorn balls on the tree, and these wholesome sweets also may be served the smaller holiday visitors. If you are creating gingerbread men and fancy cookies, hang those on the tree.

Did you know that the banana is similar to currant jelly; delicious served with game, try it also with cream cheese, as a cracker spread.

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Use gingerbread cookie recipe.

For each man, take a small piece of dough, roll with hands into ball, place on greased baking sheet and flatten out into shape of body. For the arms, take another piece of dough about one-half the size of the first, roll into a long, round strip and place across top of body, pressing edges well together.

For the legs, take a slightly larger piece of dough and proceed as for arms, placing across lower part of body. Make eyes, nose and mouth with tops and stems of cloves, or with raisins or currants. Bake in a 3175 degree oven for 12 minutes. Red cinnamon candies make smart buttons for these men.

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**GINGERBREAD MEN**

Use gingerbread cookie recipe.

For each man, take a small piece of dough, roll with hands into ball, place on greased baking sheet and flatten out into shape of body. For the arms, take another piece of dough about one-half the size of the first, roll into a long, round strip and place across top of body, pressing edges well together.

For the legs, take a slightly larger piece of dough and proceed as for arms, placing across lower part of body. Make eyes, nose and mouth with tops and stems of cloves, or with raisins or currants. Bake in a 3175 degree oven for 12 minutes. Red cinnamon candies make smart buttons for these men.

Bright-colored hats and jackets may be fashioned of icing to which vegetable coloring has been added.

**GINGERBREAD COOKIES**

Three and one-fourth cups flour;

three teaspoons baking powder;

one-third cup brown sugar;

one-third cup shortening;

one-third cup molasses;

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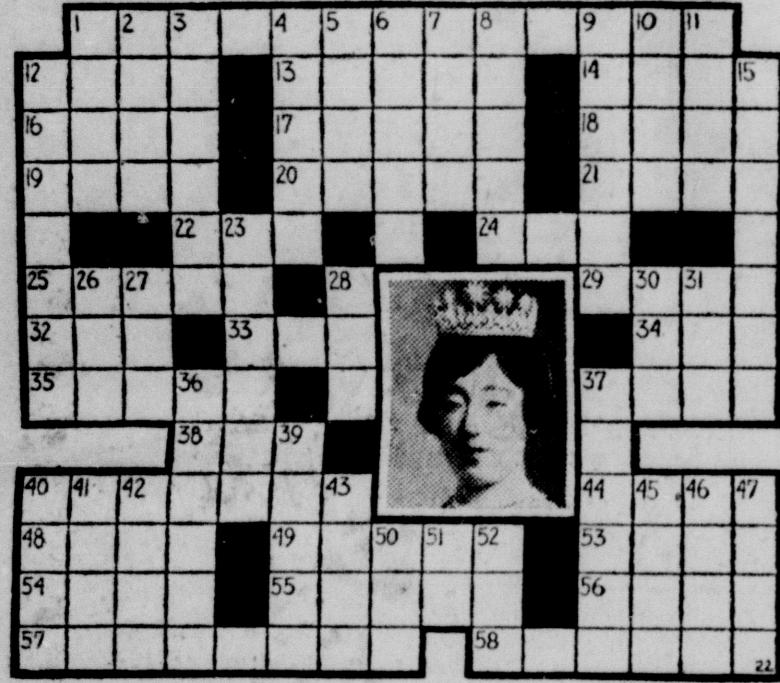
## JAPANESE ROYALTY

**HORIZONTAL**

1 The wife of the Japanese emperor.  
12 Melody.  
13 Native.  
14 Flat round plate.  
16 To slay.  
17 Public storehouse.  
18 Too.  
19 Island.  
20 Rhythm.  
21 Wild cherry.  
22 Bashful.  
24 Part of foot.  
25 Wrathful.  
29 Scandinavian legend.  
32 Light brown.  
33 Duet.  
34 Moccasin.  
35 To deem.  
37 Clan group.  
38 Fury.  
40 Prayers.  
44 Sloping way.

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

12 Her eldest son, Crown Prince  
15 She has little — with the Japanese people.  
23 English ivy.  
26 Knock.  
27 Cuckoo.  
28 Demure.  
30 Monkey.  
31 Aperture.  
36 Metallic alloy.  
48 Dinner.  
49 To run away.  
53 Bitter herb.  
54 Seed covering.  
55 Engine.  
56 Gaseous element.  
57 Her husband, Emperor.  
58 She married him when he was — of Japan.  
1 Goddess of discord.  
2 Flour factory.  
3 Most pallid.  
4 Foe.  
42 Couple.  
43 Coin slit.  
45 On the ice.  
6 To mention.  
8 Vigilant.  
9 Proverbs.  
10 Measure.  
52 To make a mistake.  
11 Bones.



## SIDE GLANCES

By George Clark



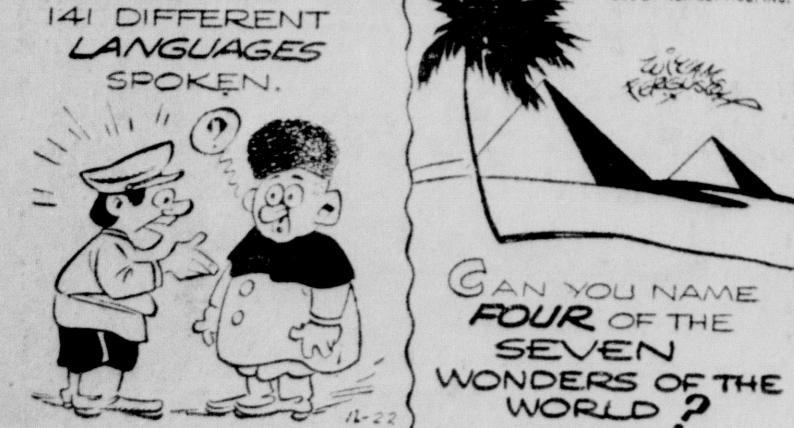
"Where are the scissors? I can't get the cellophane off this yule log."

## THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



IN THE SOVIET UNION THERE ARE 141 DIFFERENT LANGUAGES SPOKEN.

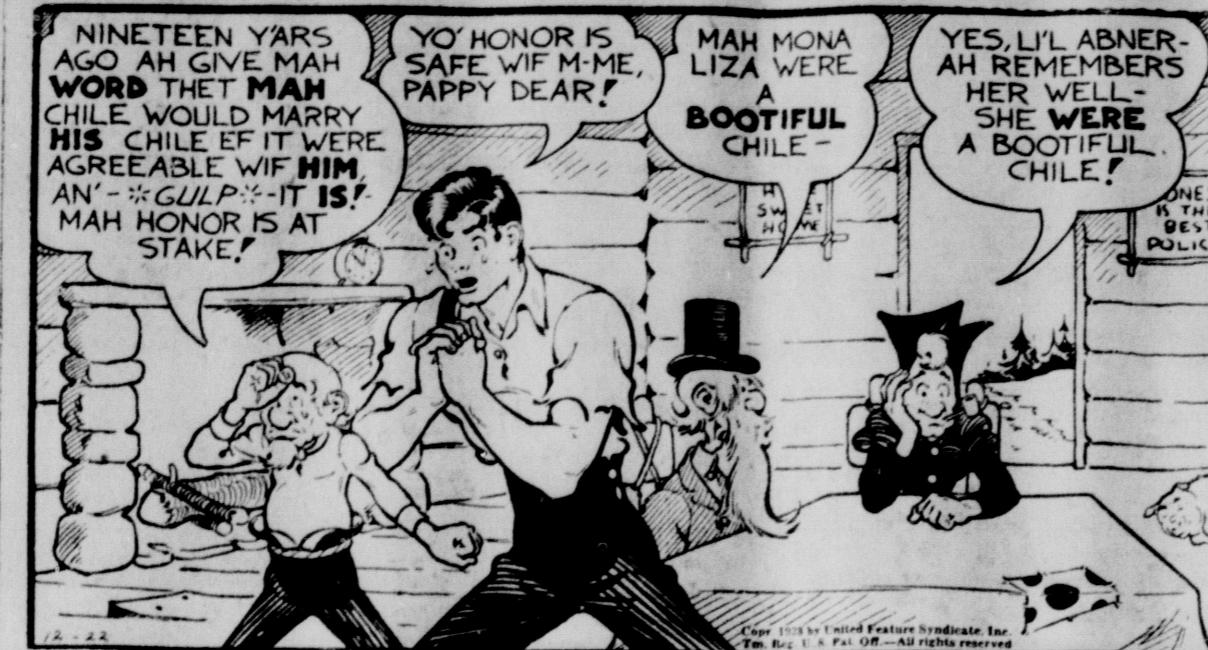


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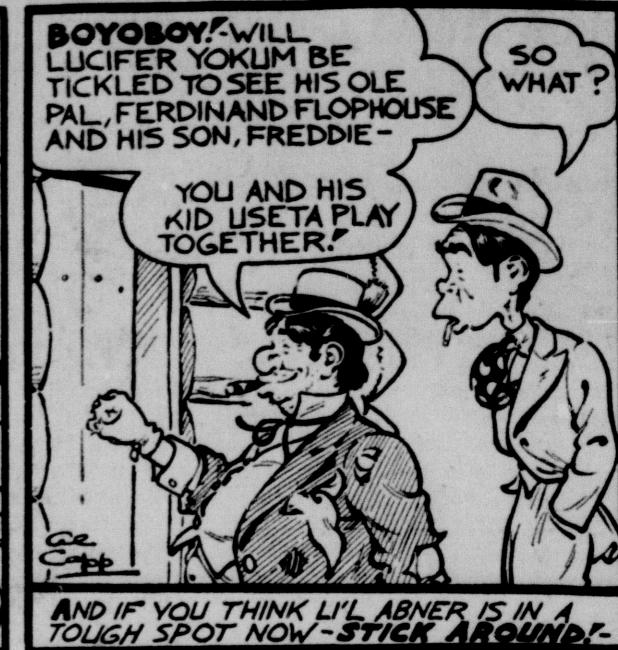
ANSWER: The Pyramids of Egypt, the Hanging Gardens of Semiramis at Babylon, the Temple of Diana at Ephesus, the Statue of Zeus by Phidias, the Tomb of Mausolus at Halicarnassus, the Pharos of Alexandria, and the Colossus of Rhodes.

NEXT: How many colds are contracted in the United States annually?

## LIL' ABNER



## The Wolves at the Door



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## BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

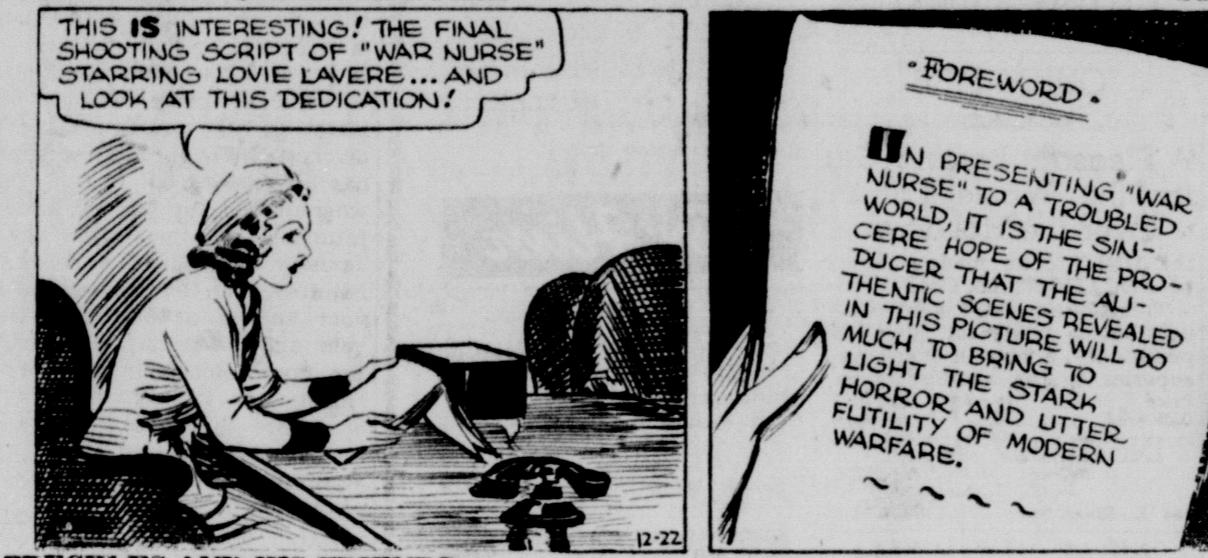


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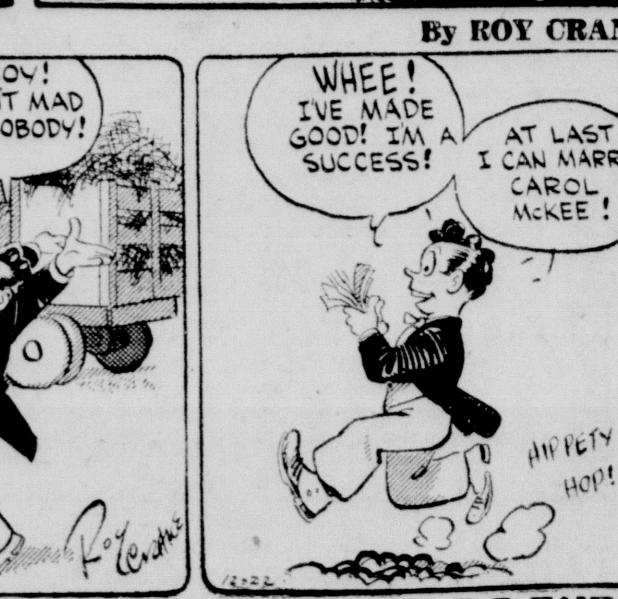
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**PER DIEM, MILE-AGE FOR COUNTY BOARD \$11,635.70**

**Committee Services for Year Total \$2,674 Figures Reveal**

Members of the board of supervisors of Lee county expended the sum of \$11,635.70 from the county treasury in payment of mileage and per diem for the regular monthly sessions and special committee meetings during the year 1938, is gathered from the records of the board of supervisors' official proceedings on file at the court house.

Committee services alone for the 12 month period cost \$2,674. The cost to the county for a special session of the board in September totalled \$59.50 while the mileage and per diem paid out to supervisors for the September regular meeting amounted to \$417.50. Mileage and per diem for 27 supervisors for ten monthly meetings represented an expense of \$7,960 to Lee county. The annual June meeting of the board cost the county the total sum of \$524.70, the board's official records discloses.

An inspection of the official records at the court house by the Telegraph has divulged the rapidly mounting increase in expense for the board of supervisors. With the advent of the monthly meetings of the board supplementing the former quarterly sessions, it was represented first that the cost to the county for committee services would be materially decreased, whereas figures taken from the official proceedings of the board would indicate otherwise. Another claim for the monthly meetings was that merchants of the county would receive monthly payment for their claims instead of waiting three months, which claim has been justified.

**Committee Fees Tripled.**

Fees for committee services this year were more than tripled within a six months period as is shown by the following table of figures taken from the official records showing the total amounts paid out of the county treasury for committee services between intervals of monthly meeting dates:

January, \$113.90; February, \$126.80; March, \$120.60; April, \$214.50; May, \$235.30; June, \$362.60; July, \$271.50; August, \$211.90; September, \$299.30; October, \$228.70; November, \$212.50; December, \$276.70.

The above figures, which are official and taken from the records of the proceedings of the board of supervisors indicate clearly the committee expenses have been mounting materially since the reorganization of the board last spring. Members of one particular committee, the road and bridge, upon which membership is considered next highest to the chairmanship, received more than \$35 per month for committee services alone, not including the mileage and per diem of the regular board sessions for the past eight months of 1938. This committee, however, is considered the most active of all.

The average mileage and per diem cost to the county for a monthly meeting in which the 27 supervisors are in session for a single day represents a cost to the county of approximately \$79.60.

At the June meeting, however, this expense reached a figure amounting to \$524.70, the board being in session about three days.

**September Hit Peak.**

The September session hit the high peak. At this meeting the finance committee submitted its annual budget in which the sum of \$5,440 was set aside to be used for the payment of supervisors and committee services for one year. Considering the amount expended in 1938 for both purposes, which amounted to \$11,635.70, it would indicate that the budget was only about half sufficient to meet the demand made upon the appropriation. Mileage and per diem for the September meeting alone totalled \$417.50, and added to this sum was the amount of \$299.30 for the committee services, which made a total cost to the taxpayers of Lee county of \$716.80 for the session. At this same meeting, 19 of the total 27 members of the board filed claims for special committee services. At the recent December meeting, 21 of the 27 members of the board had claims filed for committee services which totalled \$276.70, being the second highest total amount for a single month of 1938.

This information is gathered from the official records of the Lee county board of supervisors by the Telegraph to acquaint the tax payers of Lee county with the cost of operation of this body of 27 representatives from the 22 townships of the county during the year 1938, and is the second of a series of articles to be published upon this subject. Last week the first of the series appeared in the columns of the Telegraph and several members of the board have commended the expose of conditions.

Big game hunters in Wyoming this season bagged 3,959 elk, 1,537 deer, 29 moose, five mountain sheep and 28 bears.

**PRISONERS FEAST**

Ottawa, O.—(AP)—Prisoners in the Putnam county jail here Sheriff Arnold Potts goes hunting again soon so that they can enjoy another pheasant dinner.

The sheriff and several friends brought home more than they could use so "the boys inside" received a heaping platter.

"There Must Be a Limit"

There is no question in my mind but that governmental spending will have to be curtailed some time in the future. I am not enough of an economist to attempt to place the limitations of our national debt, yet even I realize that somewhere there must be a limit."

In the same address he said the public works program has been "worth the cost" but that private industry must prepare to absorb the unemployed.

"They (the unemployed) must

be cared for because we some time will reach the limit of our expenditures and we will eventually run out of projects on which to keep them employed."

Six feet, two and a half inches tall and weighing 200 pounds, Lucas is a former Illinois Wesleyan football and professional baseball player who still looks more like an athlete than a cartoonist's conception of senatorial portliness.

Lucas was driving to Washington with his wife and seven-year-old son, Scott Jr., to occupy their leased home before Christmas.

"Should we have to close the

5 tubes, touch tuning, ivory case

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